

# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

**DATE:** AUGUST 6, 2024

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM: MICHAEL W DYER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY

**PREPAREDNESS** 

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-1922, ADOPTING THE 2024

MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN OF THE LAS

VIRGENES-MALIBU COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

MEETING

**DATE:** AUGUST 28, 2024

#### **SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the Resolution formally approving the updated Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments (LVMCOG) Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP) and adopting it into the recently approved Safety Element in the City of Calabasas General Plan.

## **BACKGROUND:**

FEMA's approval of the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments MJHMP is for a period of 5 years, that began on August 22, 2019. A current MJHMP ensures that the city is eligible for project grants under FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance Programs, including the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program, and Flood Mitigation Assistance Program.

Prior to August 2024, the COG cities were required to review and revise the current MJHMP to reflect changes in development, progress in local mitigation efforts, and changes in mitigation priorities. Calabasas city staff from Public

Works, Community Development, Community Services, and Public Safety provided updates and suggested mitigation actions for the new plan.

Passed in 2006, Assembly Bill No. 2140 (AB 2140) allows California counties and cities to adopt their current, FEMA-approved local hazard mitigation plans (LHMPs) into the Safety Element of their General Plans. This adoption makes the county or city eligible to be considered for part or all its local-share costs on eligible Public Assistance funding to be provided by the state through the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA).

Please be aware that adopting the MJHMP with FEMA is a federal requirement and does not make the city automatically AB 2140 compliant. AB 2140 is a state incentive and requires adopting our MJHMP into the Safety Element of the General Plan. However, both adoptions can take place at the same time using the same adoption resolution (see attachment A).

A public webinar and workshop were conducted in November 2023 to receive community input. Public Safety Commissioners attended this workshop and provided input to the draft MJHMP. Also, the final draft MJHMP was placed on the City's website asking for a second round of community input on January 5, 2024 and removed on January 31, 2024.

The draft MJHMP was submitted in February 2024 for CalOES review and upon CalOES approval in June 2024, then forwarded to FEMA for final approval. FEMA Region 9 has approved the MJHMP pending Governing Body adoption. The current MJHMP expired on August 22, 2024 but does not impact any federal grants that the city has applied for.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/SOURCE OF FUNDING:

There is no cost to the General Fund. By adopting the updated plan, the City may be eligible for federal mitigation funding after disasters and to apply for mitigation grants before disasters occur.

# **REQUESTED ACTION:**

It is requested that the City Council formally adopt the revised 2024 Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and adopt 2024 plan into the current Safety Element of the General Plan.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- A. Resolution No. 2024-1922
- B. 2024 LVMCOG MJHMP Hard Copy on file in City Clerk's Department.
- C. PowerPoint Presentation